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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, UG, US, EG

SUBJECT: UGANDAN AMBASSADOR'S DESIRE ARRANGE MEETING
WITH IDI AMIN

REF: A. CAIRO 8250, B. SECTO 3050 (NOTAL)

1. YOU SHOULD ASCERTAIN FROM AMBASSADOR BUNYENYEZI
IF HE WAS ACTING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS IN SUGGESTING
MEETING WITH AMIN.
2. IF BUNYENYEZI INDICATES THAT HIS APPROACH WAS NOT
UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, YOU SHOULD ATTEMPT TO DISSUADE HIM

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FROM PURSUING MATTER FURTHER AT THIS TIME.

3. IF BUNYENYEZI STATES HE WAS ACTING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS,
YOU SHOULD INFORM HIM THAT YOU HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO
ACCEPT AN INVITATION TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT AMIN WITH
THE FOLLOWING CAVEATS:

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HELD AT THE SPECIFIC REQUEST OF PRESIDENT AMIN.

-- THAT THE USG HAS NO PARTICULAR POINTS IT WISHES TO
MAKE WITH PRESIDENT AMIN AT THIS TIME. WE ARE, OF COURSE,

PREPARED TO LISTEN TO PRESIDENT AMIN.

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HELD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON UGANDA IN FEBRUARY AND GENERAL
THRUST OF HEARINGS WAS FOR FURTHER RESTRICTION OF
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TRADE EMBARGO. WHILE THE DEPARTMENT OPPOSES SUCH A
STEP, LEGISLATION TO THAT END HAS BEEN SUBMITTED IN
BOTH HOUSE AND SENATE. WHILE THE EVENTUAL OUTCOME OF
THIS LEGISLATION IS UNCLEAR, IT IS CLEAR THAT FEW MEMBERS
OF CONGRESS WOULD BE PREPARED TO OPPOSE ANY LEGISLA-
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6. TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING IF IT IS ARRANGED
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